



**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R.
§1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 1653**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	John Smit	Examiner:	Sheridan Snedden
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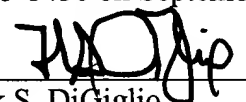
In response to the Office Action dated April 7, 2004, and in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.111, Applicant respectfully requests entry of the following amendment in the above-identified case.

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